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OF NEUROPATHIC PAIN AND COLON CANCERCommissioner of Patents  
Washington D.C. 20231PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend and consider the instant application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

AmendmentIn the Abstract:

Please substitute the abstract provided.

In the Specification:

At page 1, line 3, please insert:

--Cross-References to Related Applications

This application is a Rule 371 Application of PCT Application No. EP00/07669, filed 8 August 2000, which claims priority to GB Application Serial No. 9918745.2, filed 10 August 1999 and GB Application Serial No. 9928437.4, filed 1 December 1999.

Background of the Invention--.

At page 1, line 14, please insert:

--Brief Summary of the Invention--.